

GATHER

Theology on Tap: Making Visible the Invisible

All Young Adults (18-39yo) are invited to Theology on Tap: Making Visible the Invisible at St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Burien on **Wednesday, June 23 from 6:30-8:30pm**. Quench your social and spiritual thirst. Enjoy an evening outdoors with food, drink, and meaningful conversation. The Reverend Cristi Chapman from the Seattle Seafarers Center will be a guest speaker, sharing what it is like serving those who labor at sea. Simultaneous Spanish interpretation available.

Register at <https://tinyurl.com/totseattlejune21> For more information, contact Annie Bailey at Ana.Bailey@seattlearch.org

Catholic Relief Services Chapters

Are you passionate about global solidarity? Do you like to have fun? Do you work well on a team? Do you want to be part of making real change for people around the world? Consider joining a local Catholic Relief Services Chapter. Work with other Catholics, students, and people of good will in the region to advocate together. Chapter members receive training, join a monthly CRS National Call with Chapters across the U.S., and meet locally once a month (currently virtual) to debrief the call and plan action steps. The next local meeting is **Tuesday, June 15 at 4:30pm** on Zoom. Check it out to see if it's a good fit for you. Contact Kelly for more information at kellyhickmanmats@gmail.com

SERVE

Mini Youth Migrant Project

Each year, our youth serve in the migrant camps of the Skagit Valley through the Youth Migrant Project (YMP). Due to the lingering effects of COVID, we are not able to run the full program but, we are offering at "mini YMP" for graduating 8th graders (14+) through graduating seniors. We will travel to Burlington on Friday, July 23 for a half-day of packing food boxes and again on Saturday, July 24 for a full day of serving at the Tri-Parish Food Bank. On Sunday, July 24, we will head to North Bend for a picking experience and to debrief of our time serving. Rides can be provided by chaperones for vaccinated teens. Space is very limited. If you are interested in participating, contact Jennifer ASAP for an application at jibach@olgseattle.org

Safe Parking Update

We recently welcomed a new couple into our Safe Parking lot. We are happy to be up and running again! If you would like to support this effort, we need a few more volunteers to help maintain the Hospitality Hut. You can sign up for the days and/or times that work for you each month. For more information, contact Jennifer at jibach@olgseattle.org

GIVE

The Welcome Table serves lunch to neighbors in need in White Center every Saturday at noon at The Body of Christ Church (1320 SW 102nd St). In addition to the meal, food and supplies are handed out. Support the meal by donating non-perishable food (cereal, shelf-stable milk, etc.), tp, Depends, dish and laundry soap, reading glasses, shoes, etc. Each week guests say they could not get through the week/month without the many things provided for them. Drop off donations between 11-11:30am in the back parking lot before guests arrive. Volunteers will unload it for you!

ADVOCATE

Speak up for Refugees

After a long delay, the Biden administration recently announced that it will formally increase the FY 2021 refugee admissions goal to 62,500 for the remainder of the fiscal year. Urge President Biden to fulfill his promise to set a refugee admissions goal of 125,000 next fiscal year and ask Congress to rebuild the refugee resettlement program by investing in the U.S. capacity to welcome. Take action at <https://cwsglobal.org/take-action/action-alerts/>

Take Urgent Action for the Amazon

"I will put breath in you, and you will come to life." – Ezekiel 37:6

Preserving the Amazon rainforest in South America is critical to maintaining a stable global climate. Every day, soybeans, meat, minerals, and other commodities from deforested lands in the Brazilian Amazon are shipped to the U.S. Last year, deforestation there reached a 12-year high. Call on the Biden-Harris administration to prioritize the rights and

demands of the Indigenous and forest people in their climate emergency plans to protect the Amazon rainforest. Take action at <https://amazonwatch.org/take-action>

Keep Taxpayer Dollars from Paying for Abortions

Congress is considering legislation that would allow taxpayer money to be used for elective abortions. The majority of Americans agree that taxpayer dollars should not pay for abortion. The Hyde amendment, which has prevented this in the past, has been signed into law every year since 1976, whether the Congress and the White House were led by Republicans or Democrats. To learn more and to sign the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' petition stating opposition, go to <https://notaxpayerabortion.com>